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Applicant : Robert A. GELMAN et al.

Group Art: 1711

Appl. No. : 09/613,425

Examiner: S.A. Acquah

Filed : July 10, 2000

For : COATING COMPOSITIONS AND SUBSTRATES COATED THEREWITH

ELECTION

Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This paper is responsive to the Restriction Requirement under 35 U.S.C. § 121 mailed from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on September 7, 2001 setting a one month shortened statutory period for response which expires October 7, 2001. Inasmuch as this paper is being filed within the shortened statutory period, it is believed that no extension of time fees are required; however, if an Extension of Time is deemed by the Patent and Trademark Office to be necessary, the same is hereby requested and the Commissioner is authorized to charge any necessary fees to maintain the pendency of this application to deposit account No. 19-0089.

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SUMMARY OF ACTION

Restriction is required under 35 U.S.C. § 121 between:

Group I, corresponding to claims 1-6, 8-11, 15, 16, 18, 19, and 21-46 drawn to a composition, classified in class 524, subclass 801;

Group II, corresponding to claims 47-52, 54-56, and 58-71, drawn to a method of preparing a coated substrate, classified in class 427, subclass 207.1;

Group III, corresponding to claims 77-82, 84-86, and 88-97 drawn to a method of preparing cellulosic products, classified in class 524, subclass 35; and

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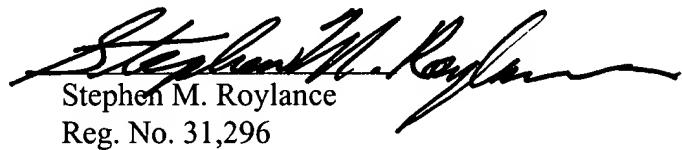
Group IV, corresponding to claims 98-106, 108-115, 117, and 118, drawn to a method of forming a coating, classified in class 427, subclass 226.

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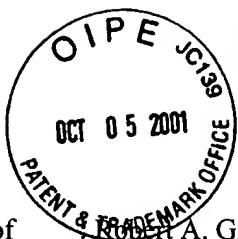
In response to the Restriction Requirement, Applicants elect the invention of Group I (claims 1-6, 8-11, 15, 16, 18, 19, and 21-46). Favorable consideration of the elected claims is respectfully requested.

If the Examiner has any questions concerning this matter or the application, the undersigned can be contacted at the below-listed telephone number.

Respectfully submitted,
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Transmitted herewith is an Election in the above-captioned application.

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- Small Entity Status of this application under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a verified statement previously filed.
- A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.
- An Information Disclosure Statement, PTO Form 1449, and references cited.
- No additional fee is required.

The fee has been calculated as shown below:

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